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From: Amstutz, Brian
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very quick draft below:

Commercial Special Recreation Permits are authorizations that enable private businesses to conduct commercial recreational activities while protecting public lands' objects and values, and returning a fair market value to the American taxpayer. GSENM permitting program prioritizes the timely review of permit applications, and proactively works with each applicant to ensure a successful permit application. Currently the GSENM has approximately 120 Special Recreation Permit holders, of which approximately 40 percent are local businesses; 40 percent are regional businesses; and 20 percent are national businesses. Primary commercial recreational activities include guided hiking, backpacking, photography, hunting, education, and camping services. These commercial activities occur throughout the GSENM.

On 6/26/17, Betenson, Matthew <mbetenso@blm.gov> wrote:

> Please review question #2.
 > ----- Forwarded message -----
 > From: Staszak, Cynthia <cstaszak@blm.gov>
 > Date: Mon, Jun 26, 2017 at 3:19 PM
 > Subject: Fwd: Clarification questions for Grand Staircase Escalante
 > To: Matthew J Betenson <mbetenso@blm.gov>, Larry Crutchfield <
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 > I have to head up to Panguitch soon. Can you help with these 3
 > questions....
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 > Date: Mon, Jun 26, 2017 at 3:08 PM
 > Subject: Fwd: Clarification questions for Grand Staircase Escalante
 > To: cstaszak@blm.gov
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> Hi Cindy
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> Well we are getting questions on GSENM
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> I am not in my office so I could not check your other materials to see if
> you already provided these answers or not.
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> Do you mind looking over the questions and see if you have some answers?
> Forward any response to me and I will feed it up to DOI.
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> Thanks
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> Tim
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> Sent from my iPhone
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> Begin forwarded message:
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> *From:* "Cline, Sarah" <sarah_cline@ios.doi.gov>
> *Date:* June 26, 2017 at 4:55:21 PM EDT
> *To:* "Moore, Nikki" <nmoore@blm.gov>, "Fisher, Timothy" <tjfisher@blm.gov>
> *Subject:* *Clarification questions for Grand Staircase Escalante*
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> Hi Nikki and Tim,
> I have a few questions of clarification on the information provided for
> Grand Staircase Escalante below. If you have any additional information, I
> would appreciate it.
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> 1) Could you give a short description of the commercial Special Recreation
> Permits?
> 2) The Data Summary document lists total AUMs and active AUMs (which are
> the same as permitted in the 2.e. Grazing AUMs spreadsheet). Can you define
> total AUMs, and explain how they compare to permitted and billed?
> 3) The Data Summary document states that "Andalex coal leases were
> voluntary sold to the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) at market
> value". Would it be accurate to say that BLM purchased the coal leases with
> LWCF funding?
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> Thank you,
> Sarah
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